# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON DIVISION

IN RE: DIGITEK PRODUCT LIABILITY LITIGATION

**MDL NO. 1968** 

#### THS DOCUMENT RELATES ONLY TO:

Scottie Vega, individually and as next friend of Christopher Vega, a Minor and surviving natural child of Mimi Rivera-Vega, Deceased MDL No. 2:09-cv-0768

Plaintiff,

v.

Actavis Totowa, LLC, et al,

# PLAINTIFF'S EX PARTE APPLICATION TO ENLARGE THE TIME TO RESPOND TO DEFENDANTS' MOTIONS FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND MOTIONS TO EXCLUDE EXPERTS

(Pacer Docket Nos. 522-529 - *In re Digitek*, 08-md-1968 and Pacer Docket Nos. 55-56 - *In re Vega v. Actavis* 09-cv-0768)

## TO THE COURT, ALL PARTIES, AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6(b)(1)(A), Plaintiffs hereby move that this Court enlarge the amount of time that the Plaintiff has to respond to Defendants' recently filed Motions for Summary Judgment and Motions to Exclude Experts (Pacer Docket Nos. 522-529 (In re Digitek, 08-md-1968) and Pacer Docket Nos. 55-56 (In re Vega v. Actavis 09-cv-0768).

A similar Ex Parte Application was filed in the related MDL case *In re Digitek*, 08-md-1968, as all of the motions are related and counsel for Scottie Vega will be doing much of the work on all of these Motion in both actions (See Pacer Docket No. 532).

Good cause exists in that Defendants' motions, which are designed to terminate this and all Digitek related cases, are both legally and factually intensive and will require significant time on the part of the attorneys to research and write. Further, the parties have still not completed the depositions of all of the defendants' experts, including Dr. William H. Frishman whose deposition is scheduled for August 10, 2011. Plaintiff's counsel is diligently working to respond to the Motions, but two weeks is insufficient and an additional two weeks is needed to complete the depositions and prepare the Oppositions. Defense counsel indicated he would not oppose a one-week extension of time, but he was unwilling to agree to a two-week extension of time.

Under the current schedule, Plaintiff's Oppositions are due August 17, 2011. Plaintiff requests that his time to respond be enlarged to permit filing as late as Thursday, September 8, 2011, which will give him a total of 30 days to respond to these motions. Plaintiff is flexible on the deadline the Court wishes to set for the Defendants' Reply Briefs and the time to hear the motions. Plaintiffs request that the Court set the parameters of a hearing date and then permit all parties to meet and confer to propose a mutually acceptable hearing date. Currently, Reply Briefs are due September 1, 2011, and the hearing is scheduled for September 14-15, 2011.

This motion is made pursuant to *Federal Rules of Civil Procedure*, Rule 6(b) and the Court's inherent authority to control its docket.

This motion is based upon this Application and attached exhibits, the points and authorities, the supporting declaration of counsel, and such evidence and argument as may be presented at the hearing.

Date: August 9, 2011.

Respectfully submitted.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the \_\_gth\_\_ day of August, 2011, a copy of the foregoing document was filed electronically. Notice of this filing will be sent to all parties by operation of the Court's electronic filing system. Parties may access this filing through the Court's system.

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